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Greater Houston Coin Club Announces Scholarships

The Greater Houston Coin Club, Inc. (GHCC) announced today that it plans to provide two "scholarships" for middle school teachers to attend the American Numismatic Association's 2004 summer seminar to be held on the campus of Colorado College in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

"These scholarships are the embodiment of our club's motto *"Education through Numismatics"* said Francis Townsend, club president.

Specifically the scholarships will be awarded to selected middle school teachers from the greater Houston metropolitan area to attend "Coins in the Classroom," a course designed to show teachers how to include coins and currency as learning aids in their day to day teaching. The club will either pay for transportation to augment scholarships already offered by the ANA or fund room, board, course fees and transportation for the one week course. "We estimate that the transportation portion, depending on the mode chosen, will approximate \$300.00, while the course fee, room and board will approximate \$600.00," said Sebastian Frommhold, club vice president and chief education officer.

The Club also announced its intention to provide one or more scholarships for young numismatists (YN), from 13 to 19 years of age, to attend the ANA summer seminar, but with the course section to be made by the YN. These scholarships will cover transportation, room and board, and course fees for a one-week session.

Townsend indicated that "funds for these scholarships and our other charitable, civic-minded programs are provided from the GHCC's sponsored *Money Show of the Southwest™*." The show is one of the fastest growing and one of the largest local club-run shows in the country. The 2004 show is scheduled for January 23-25, 2004. The other club programs are sponsorship of: public school coin clubs; two programs called "Coins for A's" and "Books for A's;" and a speaker bureau that provides speakers for schools and other public gatherings.

For scholarship criteria and applications, or for information on the Greater Houston Coin Club, it's "Money Show," or charitable programs please call 281-586-9727 or write to GHCC, P.O. Box 2963, Houston, TX 77252.

American Numismatic Association scholarship applications for the "Coins in the Classroom" course can be obtained by calling 719-632-2646, writing the ANA, 818 North Cascade Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3279 or by e-mail at www.money.org/coinsinclassapp.

Attachments:

*The Greater Houston Coin Club, Inc. — A not for profit organization
promoting "Education through Numismatics"*

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Its goal is "Education through Numismatics"

Supports, sponsors and promotes five civic minded activities:

1. Public School Coin/Money Clubs
 - a. Financially sponsors
 - b. Provides volunteer mentors and assistants
 - c. Provides speakers on selected topics
2. The ANA Scholarship Program
 - a. Provides scholarships, including room, board and transportation costs, to the American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar for deserving "young numismatists."
 - b. Provides scholarships, including room, board and transportation costs, to the American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar course, "Coins in the Classroom" for selected middle school teachers.
3. Coins for "A"s Program
 - a. Financially sponsors this program that provides collectible coins to students who send in copies of their report cards with at least three "A"s on them.
 - b. Promotes the program to public schools in the greater Houston area.
4. Books for "A"s Program
 - a. Financially sponsors, administers and provides numismatic books to the program.
 - b. The program provides selected numismatic books to students who send in copies of their report cards with at least three "A"s on them. More "A"s, better books.
 - c. Promotes the program to public schools in the greater Houston area.
5. Speakers Bureau
 - a. Provides speakers to schools (Social Studies, History, Business, Numismatic Clubs, etc.), and other public organizations to speak on the subject of "money."
 - b. Topics cover all types of money (coins; paper currency; tokens; medals; barter goods, etc.) and numismatic activities.

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October 19, 2003

Mr. Eric P. Newman
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*Book sent back
11/16/03*

Dear Eric:

I enjoyed seeing you last week at the Silver Dollar Show and it was especially pleasing to see that you are in good health and bouncing along well. I only regret that Evelyn was not with you. I enjoyed so much our cordial dinner of a year ago and the conversation with your lovely wife. We went back to Dominick's on Friday and the evening was enjoyable, but not the same without you two.

As you may have heard, the Houston Money Show, which I have adopted and spend the majority of my retirement time promoting, running and hopefully improving, is returning to national prominence. We have renamed it the Money Show of the Southwest to differentiate it from what had become a sad shadow of it's former self and to define what we want it to become. As you will remember the original Houston Money Show used to be one to the top shows in the country in the 60's and early 70's. My background in management consulting and marketing has helped in redefining the show and its objectives. We have also dedicated its profits to the furtherance of numismatics through education, primarily of children. The reason I was in St. Louis was to sell booths to the 2004 show and to arrange for some rare and outlandishly expensive coins and bills to be displayed at the show. I use these items to attract print, and electronic media interest, resulting in free but very effective publicity for the show. Earlier this year that type of publicity resulted in 6,000 public attendance and our goal for this year is between 8,500 and 10,000 attendance.

The reason for this letter is to ask if you will autograph my copy of your book, "The Fantastic 1804 Dollar." I am a silver dollar fan, and am quietly assembling a collection of gem Deep Mirror Proof-like Morgan Dollars. However, I love the Draped Bust/Heraldic Eagle Dollars and may soon pursue a representative collection of those beauties. My wife, Pat, and I had the wonderful opportunity to enjoy a private tour of the Smithsonian Institution's numismatic vault and were handed its samples of the 1804 Class I, II and III dollars to admire. What an experience! In any case, the copy of your book was autographed by Ken Bressett at this year's ANA summer seminar and needs only your comments and signature to be complete. If you agree, I will forward it to you. Please let me know by e-mail at [REDACTED] or 281-586-9727.

I also mentioned that the profits from our show, the Greater Houston Coin Club's only fund raising project, go to children. I thought you might be interested in the type of projects that our club supports, sponsors and promotes. The attached sheet describes them.

Sincerely,

Carl

P.S. Evelyn was interested in my experience at Enron. She might be interested in a new book written by two Wall Street Journal reporters. It seems pretty close to capturing the real story. Carl

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October 26, 2003

Mr. Eric P. Newman
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Dear Eric:

Enclosed is my copy of your book, "The Fantastic 1804 Dollar," as well as a return envelop for your use.

I would appreciate your autograph and anything else you might wish to add.

The work of your foundation sounds wonderful. I doubt if I'll have a bridge, building or monument named in my honor, but anything I or we can do to keep kids occupied and off the streets is, in the long term, better than any monument. That's what drives me and fuels my zeal for our show. It's a symbiotic relationship. The more money the Money Show makes the more we can contribute to activities that occupy children's minds. That is as good as it can get!

I look forward to seeing you along the numismatic trails. Thanks again for autographing the book.

Sincerely,

